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Dear Sir:

The agencies are to be commended in making this step toward uniform regulation within the U. S. Egg industry. Since only 30% of the U. S. Egg industry is Federally inspected, there exists the potential for inadequate handling and grading of table eggs. This regulation is a positive move to minimize the potential for growth of Salmonella organisms, within the segment of the industry that is not currently regulated.

Sincerely yours,

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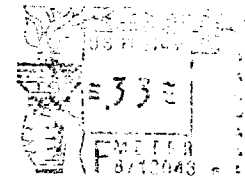
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